Setting up of a cell in each PSU

*218. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Department is contemplating to set up a cell in each PSU targeted for privatisation;

(b) if so, the purpose of setting up of a cell in each PSU;

(c) whether the setting up of cell in each PSU will have any impact on the functioning of that PSU; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Production of anti-snake venom serum

*219. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are some differences between the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Maharashtra Food and Drug Administration regarding anti-snake venom serum being produced by State-run Haffkin Bio-Pharmaceutical Company;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the differences have been settled and the production of serum resumed as per the Central advice?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. P. THAKUR): (a) to (c) Haffkine Bio-Pharmaceutical Corporation Limited (HBPCL), Mumbai, is a public sector undertaking under the Government of Maharashtra, engaged in manufacture of various biological and non-biological drugs, vaccines and sera, including Anti Snake Venom Serum (ASVS). After the "Breeding of and Experiments on Animals (Control & Supervision) Rules, 1998" under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, came into force, it has become necessary for HBPCL to register itself with the Committee for the purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals (CPCSEA). HBPCL got itself registered with the CPCSEA under Rule 5-A of the Breeding of and Experiments on Animals (Control & Supervision) Rule, 1998 in June, 2000. This registration was for HBPCL's Animal House at Parel, Mumbai. The ASVS is manufactured at Pimpri, Pune, where its horse farm is located.

For registration of this farm with CPCSEA an application was made on 8.1.2001. Thereafter the inspections were carried out by CPCSEA. Suggestions